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1. Dózsa György Infantry Barracks

a. Located on Karl Marx Square 2 (formerly Honvéd Square); this barracks is capable of accommodating about 1,600 men. It is occupied by the headquarters and units of a regiment, U.N. 3727, and by 4 companies of a Hungarian signal battalion. These units are components of 12 Infantry Division, whose headquarters is located at Kiskunfélegyháza. The troops billeted at the Dózsa Barracks number about 1,500; they belong to the classes of 1929-1932. They drill two or three times a week at the Fehértó drillfield.

(1) Infantry units of the regiment are equipped with model 48 rifles, sub-machine guns (3 to every group), Maxim heavy machine guns, and Degtyarev light machine guns.

(2) The heavy (sic) units are equipped with 82 mm. mortars and 37 mm. and 76.2 mm. antitank guns.

(3) The signal battalion has the following weapons.

- 3 R/7 radio vehicles
- 3 Csepel Diesel trucks
- 15 Dode (sic) trucks
- 12 Tatra vehicles and jeeps
- 5 motorcycles

2. Zalka Maté Pioneer Barracks

a. This barracks, located on the Moszkva Körut, is capable of accommodating 700

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men. It is occupied by a Hungarian pioneer battalion (Hidász Zászlóalj), about 500 men strong.

b. This battalion is equipped with all the material necessary to build M-33 bridges, as well as 16 steel (2-section) pontoons, and assault boats.

c. In addition to the pioneer battalion, the barracks also houses the headquarters and headquarters units of a Hungarian technical battalion of about 100 pioneer troops. The other units of this battalion were in Csongrád for drills. All the units stationed at Zalka Barracks belong to the 12 Infantry Division of Kiskunfélegyháza.

d. The following vehicles were noted in the courtyard:

- 8 Csepel Diesel trucks
- 8 Rába trucks
- 8 special vehicles for assault boats
- 10 workshops on wheels
- 12 flat trucks for pontoons

3. Petőfi Armored Barracks

a. Located in the Szeged-Alsóváros suburb, this is a new building in the immediate vicinity of the Szeged-Budapest railroad. Capacity of the barracks is 1,200.

b. It is occupied by the divisional tank regiment, U.T.N. 3234, of the 12 Infantry Division. The regiment's total strength is about 900 men.

c. It is equipped with the following vehicles:

- 33 T34/85 tanks
- 12 SU-100 assault guns
- 4 reconnaissance tanks
- 40 trucks of various types
(half of them equipped with tracks)
- 3 motorcycles
- 5 passenger cars

d. The units of this regiment are in the field twice a week; at Szeged-Alsótanya and around Kiskundorozsma.

4. Tancsics Mihály Artillery Barracks

a. Located at Bartók Street 43, this barracks is capable of accommodating about 2,000 men. It is occupied by the units of a Hungarian artillery regiment which in turn is subordinate to the Szeged Division, whose headquarters are located in the former Army Corps Headquarters building. It is a motorized regiment consisting of two groups.

b. The batteries of the first group are equipped with 76.2 mm. guns; those of the second group with 122 mm. guns.

c. In addition, the barracks is also occupied by an antiaircraft group, U.T.N. 1715 (formerly at Szentes), which belongs to the 12 Infantry Division. This group consists of three batteries equipped with six 27 mm. guns each.

5. Tisza Hotel

District Headquarters of the AVE, U.T.N. 0820. Total strength about 200 men.

6. Soviet Troops.

As of April 1953 there were no Soviet units in Szeged. The nearest Soviet garrison is located at Szőreg, where are located armored troops and a Soviet military-transport routing station. Nearly all private buildings and the schools were requisitioned there; most of the local population was evacuated. It is estimated that a Soviet tank regiment numbering 2,000 troops and equipped with the most modern JS-122s is stationed in Szőreg.

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